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## NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Majority prices were unchanged in the West, higher elsewhere. Trade sentiment was mostly firm and heavily influenced by ongoing effects of last week's Hurricane Katrina. Retail and food service demand following the extended holiday weekend covered the full range. Offerings were adequate to tight; floor stocks were balanced to tight. Also being affected by the hurricane was availability/production, and deliveries due to truck shortages and high fuel costs. In the parts structure, trading was moderate to good with supplies of all items no more than adequate to tight and moving well at premium levels. In production areas, live supplies were mostly moderate; weights were desirable to light.

**Final Report** of prices negotiated for trucklot sales of ready-to-cook ice-packed broiler/fryers (includes branded product) to be delivered to first receivers at major market centers week of 03-SEP-2005.

(cents per lb)	US GRADE A	COMPOSITE			
AREAS	MAJORITY	WTD	LOADS	WTD	LOADS
		AVG		AVG	
Bos/New Eng	TFEWR	—	—	65.36	49
Chicago	67.00-70.00	69.73	43	70.86	78
Ohio Cities	TFEWR	—	—	70.79	21
Denver	80.50	80.33	15	81.38	16
Detroit	68.00-70.00	69.50	12	72.21	52
Los Angeles	81.00	80.52	48	78.02	102
New York	69.00-72.00	70.48	21	69.92	53
Philadelphia	68.50-70.00	69.59	11	70.14	22
Pittsburgh	68.00-71.00	70.36	11	73.56	57
St. Louis	69.00-69.25	68.71	20	69.45	33
San Francisco	81.50	81.28	34	80.47	71

### Composite Weighted Average

Loads	09/05/05	Change/Last Wk	08/29/05	09/06/04
554	73.09	1.71	71.38	70.14

**WOG BROILERS** (without giblets) - prices paid per lb delvd to first receivers in trucklot and less than trucklot quantities.

REGIONS	Majority	Wtd Avg	Loads
East	73.00-76.00	74.34	31
Central	59.00-76.00	72.83	71
West	66.00-77.00	75.31	27
<b>Southeast Area FOB Dock Equivalent</b>			
Mississippi	74.75-76.00	74.38	42

**GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES** Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is 75.00 cents based on ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds.

LOADS	RANGE	MONDAY FINAL WTD AVG FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT
1,089	67.00-76.42	74.14

The Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed final weighted average prices on ice packed parts:

ITEM	WTD AVG (CENTS PER POUND)	VOLUME (000 POUND)
LINE RUN TENDERS	174.50	1,372
BREASTS - B/S	150.50	5,912
BREASTS - WHOLE	87.00	1,455
THIGH MEAT - B/S	118.00	1,010
LEG QUARTERS	47.50	7,946
WINGS	89.50	2,839

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**NORTHEAST REGION BROILER/FRYER** Trucklot buying interest on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was moderate to good following the holiday weekend. Offerings of all sizes were adequate to well cleared. Movement through retail and distributive channels was fair. The market tone was firm and continued to be influenced by the effects on production and shipping in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina. In the parts complex, most items were in close balance to short.

**SOUTHERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS** Trade sentiment was fully steady to firm. Demand following the extended holiday weekend was fair to fairly good, best for fast food, retail ads, and where holiday needs increased. Supplies were short of full trade needs due to down or reduced plant schedules following Hurricane Katrina. Schedules in Mississippi were mostly part time with many still down, but some attempting to run this week. Transportation problems were still present as truck shortages and high fuel costs caused disruptions in deliveries. In the parts structure, trading was irregular, but mostly fairly good, with all items no more than adequate to tight and moving at moving at premium levels. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mixed, but mostly desirable weights.

**WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS** Final majority prices were unchanged from last week's levels. The market tone was steady to firm. Trading reported for this week deliveries at generally unchanged prices for regular commitments and new negotiations at mainly higher prices. Local offerings were generally adequate with offerings from southern production area where Hurricane Katrina struck reported at tight to adequate. Buying activity was fair. Retailer demand was moderate, best for parts. Dealers reported satisfactory to light weekend carryovers, mainly due to delayed shipments from southern areas. Reported trading on parts for this weeks' delivery: leg quarters bulk 47-50.5 and 4/10s 47.5-54, breast bone-in 95-106 and boneless 135-144, boneless leg meat 122-125 and wings 95-97. The Los Angeles negotiated WOG weighted average was 68.79 up 5.24 with the volume at 19 loads.

**MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER** Final majority prices increased from last Monday's final; Ohio cities TFEWR. The market tone for whole broiler/fryers was steady to firm. Mixed offerings, adequate to tight. Retail and food service movement was moderate to good. Floor stocks were generally balanced; weights were desirable to light. Parts supplies varied from short to adequate. The market tone was fully steady to firm on all items.

**DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS** Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was moderate and clearing available offerings in early week business. Live supplies were moderate; weights were mostly desirable to light. Processor schedules were moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were 1 cent higher at 70 to 81 cents. Trade sentiment was firm and continued to be heavily influenced by the ongoing affects of hurricane Katrina. In the parts complex, supplies were adequate to well cleared.

\*BROILER/FRYER CURRENT NEGOTIATED PRICES FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY INCLUDES MOSTLY MULTIPLE-DROP SHIPMENTS OF BRANDED AND WING TAGGED TO NEW YORK CITY FROM DELMARVA

### BRANDED U.S. GRADE A

RANGE	67-82
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	(A)

(A) NOT REPORTED TO AVOID DISCLOSING INDIVIDUAL OPERATIONS

**NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS** Trucklot buying activity remained moderately good to good as dealers closely monitored market conditions following holiday weekend and indicated fairly good clearances. Offerings of most items ranged adequate to short and where available held with extreme confidence. Retail and distributive movement was mostly fair. The market tone was fully steady to firm and continued to be heavily influenced by the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina. ICE PACKED BROILER/FRYER PARTS, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS IN POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, CENTS PER POUND

ITEM	CURRENT NEGOTIATED TRADING	WTD AVG	VOLUME /LBS
BREAST - B/S	150	136.25	514,240
TENDERLOINS	145	139.37	104,800
BREAST - WITH RIBS	82-83	88.63	68,960
BREAST - LINE RUN	82	84.26	95,840
LEGS	62-63	63.76	143,880
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	46-47	46.04	392,528
DRUMSTICKS	54-55	58.34	65,400
THIGHS	57-58	59.14	76,880
B/S THIGHS	126-127	116.91	64,760
WINGS (WHOLE)	91-92	90.76	192,100
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	12.02	9,520
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	40-45	43.70	9,220
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	60-65	65.73	7,160

INCL: NY CITY METRO, N. NJ, MA, CT, RI, AND PA (NE OF HARRISBURG).

\* TODAY'S NEGOTIATED SALES AS OF 11:30 A.M.

\*\* WTD AVG PRICE OF ALL GRADES AND BRANDS OF PRODUCT SHIPPED, OR TO BE SHIPPED AS OF 1:30 P.M.

**ARKANSAS BROILER/FRYER PARTS** F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED-PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND.

ITEM	LBS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WT. AVG
BREAST - B/S	1,749	112.00-148.00	132-142	136.15
TENDERLOINS	242	130.00-184.00	130-138	137.07
BREAST - WITH RIBS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEGS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	537	42.00-44.00	42-43	42.67
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	2,613	44.00-46.00	44-45	44.87
WINGS (WHOLE)	608	69.00-87.00	85-86	85.93
DRUMSTICKS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
THIGHS	1,084	34.00-52.00	48-52	48.70

#### ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (IN THOUSANDS)

	ESTIMATE (1,000)	ACTUAL (1,000)	AVG WTS	ACTUAL (1,000)	AVG WTS
	09/06	09/02	09/02	08/30	08/26
Alabama	4,063	5,238	5.12	3,442	4.95
Arkansas	5,402	6,110	4.93	5,328	4.93
Delmarva	2,340	2,770	5.39	2,245	5.70
KY-LA-TN	2,284	2,597	4.58	2,165	4.73
Mississippi	2,410	(B)	(B)	0	0.00
North Carolina	2,572	3,149	6.09	2,497	6.34
Texas	2,480	2,592	5.00	2,504	5.19
Total	21,551	22,456	5.16	18,181	5.26
Mon-Tue	25,529(A)			38,427(A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 06-Sep 2005 is estimated to be 32,467,000 up 19.01 percent from a week ago. and up 3.5 percent from a year ago.

(last week 27,282,000 last year 31,376,000)

(B) Data not available due to storm related communication difficulties.

**SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS** F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED-PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND.

ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	552	135.00-157.00	137-147	143.13
TENDERLOINS	128	135.00-195.00	-	141.25
BREAST - LINE RUN	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEGS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	646	43.00-46.00	45	44.96
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	961	44.00-49.00	46-48	47.21
WINGS (WHOLE)	311	86.00-94.00	88-90	90.39
WINGS (CUT)	265	100.00-107.00	102-104	106.00
DRUMSTICKS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
B/S THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			

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WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS  
TRADING FOR SEPTEMBER 06, 2005 — F.O.B. DOCK.

RANGE TODAY'S AVERAGE  
TOO FEW TO REPORT

The Index is intended solely as an indicator of values for commodity-type product and does not represent industry's willingness to sell or ability to buy.

**MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER PARTS** ICE-PACKED POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES DELIVERED TO: IL, IN, IA, KS, MI, MN, MO, NE, ND, OH, SD, AND WI WEEK OF 05-09-SEP-2005.

	Price (Cents) Per Lb.	Mostly
BREAST - B/S	129.00 - 157.00	132.00 - 147.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	80.00 - 108.00	80.00 - 89.00
LEGS	61.00 - 66.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	43.00 - 53.00	44.00 - 46.00
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	45.00 - 50.00	47.00 - 49.00
DRUMSTICKS	48.00 - 63.00	-
THIGHS	53.00 - 61.00	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	82.00 - 98.00	89.00 - 92.00
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	12.00 - 23.00	-
LIVERS	30.00 - 43.00	-
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	40.00 - 60.00	-

#### SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED POULTRY, DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
WOGS 2# & UP - WHOLE	95.50-104.50
WOGS 2# & UP - CUT UP 8&9 PIECES	94-107
FROZEN HENS 5# & UP	
FROZEN DUCKS	
FROZEN SQUABS	

#### DELIVERED TO RETAILERS IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA)

FRESH FRYERS	97-99
ROASTERS 4# & UP	99-107
HENS UNDER 5#	
HENS OVER 5#	65-73
DUCKS	
RABBITS-WHOLE	
RABBITS-CUT UP	

#### SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY

#### DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	ICE PACK 105-107
	DRY PACK 108
ROASTERS 4# & UP	ICE PACK 108-112
	DRY PACK 111-112
HENS OVER 5#	ICE PACK 93-95
	DRY PACK 95-105
DUCKS	180-192

**EASTERN REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN**

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE EASTERN REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

SEPTEMBER 02, 2005				
<u>CHICKEN WITH SKIN ADDED</u>		PRICES		VOLUME
(Cents per Pound)				
FAT				
CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	21.50	21.00-26.00	769,000	208,000
WTD AVERAGE	21.50	21.79		
15-20%				
RANGE	16.50-21.00	16.00-22.00	1,344,000	624,000
WTD AVERAGE	19.88	18.39		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

\* INCLUDES THE STATES of CT, DE, FL, GA, MA, MD, ME, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, VA, VT, WV

**CENTRAL REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN**

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE CENTRAL REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

SEPTEMBER 02, 2005				
<u>CHICKEN WITH SKIN ADDED</u>		PRICES		VOLUME
(Cents per Pound)				
FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	-	23.00	61,200	-
WTD AVERAGE		23.00		
15-20%				
RANGE	17.75-29.00	16.00-23.00	1,149,200	720,800
WTD AVERAGE	19.29	19.43		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

\* INCLUDES THE STATES of AL, AR, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, MI, MN, MO, MS, ND, NE, OK, OH, SD, TN, TX, WI

**SOUTHEAST HEAVY LIVE HEN** Majority prices were unchanged when compared to a week earlier. Demand was fair for the generally adequate offerings. Processing schedules were noted as normal to light due to reduced schedules for the holiday and the effects of hurricane Katrina. Sales of finished product were fully sufficient for current needs. The undertone was steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) \*  
FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 05-SEP-05

	<b>RANGE</b>	<b>MAJORITY</b>	<b>WTD AVG</b>
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	9.75-16	12-14	13.21
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FOB PLANT	TOO FEW TO REPORT		

\*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

**SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN** Trading levels were generally unchanged from the past week. Demand was moderate for mixed offerings of spent hens. Finished sales were fair. Schedules were irregular. Trade sentiment was about steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) \*  
PRELIMINARY PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR  
SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 05-SEP-05

	<b>RANGE</b>	<b>MAJORITY</b>	<b>WTD AVG</b>
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	9.5-16.25	12-14	13.00

\*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

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